

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, lines 9-12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the present invention, by hyaluronic acid alone, it is meant that no chemical crosslinker or chemical modifier is [[not]] used other than hyaluronic acid, and that hyaluronic acid is not in the form of a complex with a cationic polymer.

Please replace the Abstract at page 58, lines 2-6, with the following rewritten Abstract:

A gel made of hyaluronic acid alone which is hardly soluble in a neutral aqueous solution[[]] and ~~The hyaluronic acid gel according to Claim 1,~~ which keeps its shape for at least one day in a neutral aqueous solution at 25°C.